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WATER USERS ANNUAL MEETING

WATER RIGHTS

The minutes of the Utah Lake and Jordan River Distribution System, including the Jordan River and its tributaries.

The meeting was held in Room 122, State Capitol Building, Salt Lake City, Utah, January 16, 1975, at 10:00 a.m.

Those present and the users represented were as follows:

Donald C. Norseth	Division of Water Rights
Edward D. Feldt	Division of Water Rights
Dick Henley	Division of Water Rights
C. F. Stillman	Kennecott Copper Corporation
James B. Lee	(Attorney) Kennecott Copper Corporation
Richard Carlquist	(President) Draper Irrigation Co.
Arden B. Tesch	Utah Lake Distributing Co.
Leland W. Withers	(President) South Jordan Canal Co.
Reed Mackay	(Superintendent) South Jordan Canal Co.
Vern H. Morgan	Utah & Salt Lake Canal Co.
Alma Fairbourn	(President) East Jordan Irrigation Co.
Rell Swensen	North Jordan Irrigation Co.
E. Kirk Hill	(Superintendent) North Jordan Irrigation Co.
Charles W. Wilson	(Superintendent) Salt Lake City Water Dept.
Michael Georgeson	Central Utah Water Conservation District
David B. Gardner	(Commissioner) Utah Lake & Jordan River

Those present but with no voting powers were David B. Gardner, Water Commissioner, Donald C. Norseth, Edward D. Feldt, and Dick Henley of the State Engineer's Office, and Michael Georgeson of the Central Utah Water Conservation District. ~~C. F. Stillman and James B. Lee represented Kennecott Copper Corporation, each having voting rights.~~ It was determined by canvass of those present that there was adequate qualified representatives to form a quorum; therefore, the meeting was considered official.

Mr. Donald C. Norseth of the State Engineer's Office called the meeting to order and gave a brief review of water conditions throughout the state. He informed the users of the storage reservoir conditions and of the companies'

attempts to seal sink holes that have occurred in the limestone formations in these reservoirs. In some cases, these holes have been cleaned and filled with concrete; whereas, others have been filled with a clay base tamped solidly into the sink holes. The State is watching for results of these procedures.

Mr. Norseth then turned the balance of the meeting over to the existing chairman, Mr. Charles W. Wilson. Mr. Wilson indicated the first order of business was the selection of a Chairman and Secretary for this meeting. Mr. Swensen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Withers, that Mr. Charles W. Wilson act as Chairman with Mr. David B. Gardner acting as Secretary. There being no other nominations, a vote was taken and passed unanimously.

Mr. Wilson then asked all members present to review the January 28, 1974, minutes. A motion was then made by Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Fairbourn, that the minutes be approved. Voted and passed unanimously.

Mr. Wilson indicated the next order of business was the review of the financial statement submitted to the membership by the State Engineer's Office. Mr. Norseth of the State Engineer's Office reviewed this statement with the members and indicated that this district was the only one in the state that had no problems with the collecting of assessments. He congratulated all the members present for their outstanding work in doing so. A motion was made by Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Swensen, that the financial statement be accepted and made a part of these minutes. Motion was voted and passed unanimously.

UTAH LAKE & JORDAN RIVER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

1974

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

A. Balance of Distribution Trust Funds January 1, 1974: \$4,563.64

B. Receipts and Expenditures:

1. Receipts

(a) Regular Assessments	\$17,498.20*
(b) Delinquent Collections	1.00
(c) Total Receipts	17,499.20

2. Total Expenditures	18,875.12
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C. Balance of Distribution Trust Funds December 31, 1974: \$3,187.72

*There are no 1974 Delinquent Water Assessments

Mr. Wilson indicated that he felt that the Distribution Trust Fund was as low as it should get and proposed that no additional monies be drawn from this fund for use in next year's budget. No vote was taken, but it was generally accepted by all the members present.

Mr. Wilson indicated the next order of business was the election of a Water Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner for the recommendation to the State Engineer. A motion was made by Mr. Stillman, seconded by Mr. Lee, that David B. Gardner be recommended for the position of Commissioner of the Utah Lake and Jordan River and that Jack B. Rindlisbach be recommended as his Deputy Commissioner for the period of January 1, 1975, through December 31, 1975, or until a successor be appointed and qualified. Motion voted and passed unanimously. The salaries and expenses of the Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner were submitted next. The Commissioner's

salary was set at \$7,200 per year, payable in twelve equal monthly installments for such portion of his time as is necessary to properly distribute the water of said system and to file with the State Engineer's Office an annual report of said distribution system. In addition to the above salary, the district shall pay \$15.00 per month telephone bill, \$30.00 office rent, and automobile expenses of \$.15 per mile while on official duty. The Deputy Commissioner's salary was set at \$7,500 per year, payable in twelve equal monthly installments. The district shall pay an automobile expense of \$.15 per mile while on official duty. Mr. Rindlisbach, Deputy Water Commissioner, shall be granted two weeks vacation to be taken prior to June 1st or after August 15th. All vacation time must be approved in advance by Commissioner Gardner. Mr. Rindlisbach shall also be allowed some weekends off during the summertime; these dates also to be approved by Commissioner Gardner. In addition, the district shall pay full retirement contribution from the district's fund for both the Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner. Voted and passed unanimously.

Mr. Wilson then indicated the next order of business was the election of a committee to represent the Water Users of said district and to transact any business with the State Engineer's Office on behalf of the Water Users for the year 1975. The committee so selected is as follows:

Charles W. Wilson
Richard Carlquist
Alma Fairbourn
Charles F. Stillman
David B. Gardner

A motion was made by Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Morgan, that these men act as the committee. Motion voted and passed unanimously.

Mr. Wilson then indicated the next order of business was the setting of a budget for 1975. The budget so proposed is as follows:

UTAH LAKE & JORDAN RIVER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

<u>Budget Item No.</u>	<u>Description of Budget Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1.	Commissioner's Salary	\$ 7,200.00
1-C	Matching Social Security Tax	421.20
1-F	State Retirement Contribution	684.00
2.	Deputy Commissioner's Salary	7,500.00
2-C	Matching Social Security Tax	438.75
2-F	State Retirement Contribution	712.50
3.	Commissioner's Travel Expense \$.15/mile	650.00
4.	Deputy Commissioner's Travel Expense \$.15/mile	450.00
5.	Commissioner's Telephone Expense	180.00
6.	New Equipment Expense	800.00
7.	Bonds & Insurance Premiums	100.00
8.	Commissioner's Annual Report (1974)	450.00
9.	Office Supplies	100.00
10.	Miscellaneous & Contingency Fund	150.00
11.	Office Rent	360.00
12.	Health Insurance Contribution	624.00
13.	Contractual Services	<u>700.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$21,520.45

A motion was made by Mr. Carlquist, seconded by Mr. Tesch, that the budget be adopted and that an assessment be made by the State Engineer's Office to all the users in the amount of \$21,520.45. In addition, the State Engineer shall be authorized to use any surplus or bank balance remaining to the credit of the association on December 31, 1974, to meet expenses until such time as the 1974 assessments are collected, and that the State Engineer be authorized to charge a 10% penalty on all assessment accounts that are sixty days delinquent. Voted and passed unanimously.

Mr. Wilson indicated that the next order of business was to have Mr. David B. Gardner report to the users the water outlook for the year 1975. That report is as follows:

The water outlook for Utah Lake and Jordan River Distribution System is again excellent from a storage standpoint of Utah Lake. The lake elevation as of January 1, 1975, was a -1.90 feet below compromise with a storage capacity of 722,300 acre feet and a usable capacity of 620,800 acre feet.

The precipitation outlook is not quite so bright. As of January 1, 1975, recording stations such as Trial Lake report being 73% of normal; Strawberry Divide reports being 60% of normal; and Beaver Creek Gauging Station reports being 40% of normal. This indicates that we are probably 80% to 100% of normal using a 15-year average.

The Utah Lake and Jordan River Dam Commission has agreed to keep the gates at Utah Lake closed to February 1, 1975, thus storing approximately 50,000 acre feet of additional waters. At that time, the Dam Commission will reevaluate this situation. There is a slight possibility that the Lake may reach compromise in late April if, in fact, the gates remain closed for that period of time. If the precipitation outlook improves, these gates may have to be opened prior to February 1, 1975.

From the end of the irrigation season, October 15, 1974, through to December 31, 1974, maintenance work has been accomplished at the Turner Dam and its bay at the Jordan Narrows. These structures are now in excellent working condition and the overall distribution system is in top-grade condition. I, therefore, feel that the year 1975 should not create any problems in regard to adequate supply and/or distribution of water.

Mr. Gardner then presented the following men to the users to represent the Utah Lake and Jordan River Dam Commission:

Seymour J. Godfrey, Chairman - (Salt Lake County)
Richard Carlquist, Member - (Salt Lake County)
Ray L. Stewart, Member - (Utah County)
Phil Edwards, Member - (Utah County)
Ward C. Holbrook, Umpire - (Davis County)

A motion was then made Mr. Withers, seconded by Mr. Swensen, that these men be accepted by the users to represent the Utah Lake and Jordan River Dam Commission. Voted and passed unanimously.

Mr. Wilson then reported on the status of the Provo-Jordan River Parkway. He indicated to the members that some property had been purchased and that progress was being made toward the construction of the dams. He also reported that there were hearings being held in Provo regarding Provo River and Provo City's asking for exchange of irrigation rights to culinary rights and that the protests being made were by Salt Lake City, Kennecott Copper Corporation, Metropolitan Water District of Salt Lake, Central Utah Water Conservation District, and the the Bureau of Reclamation who basically were representing the Water Users within this district.

Mr. Wilson then asked Mr. Lee if there were any pertinent bills pertaining to the Water Users coming before the Utah State Legislation now in session. Mr. Lee reported that there was a "Clean Water Act" which would be presented by the Senate and indicated that the users should oppose this bill in that it again throws too much federal authority into our type of water system.

Mr. Wilson then asked if there was any additional business to be brought before this body, there being none, meeting was declared adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Chairman

Secretary